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PROPOSED DRAWING CORRECTIONS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 Sir:

Correction of Figure 3 is respectfully requested. A copy of the corrected Figure 3 is submitted herewith, together with a marked-up copy of original Figure 3 showing the corrections.

The basis for the amendments can be found on page 11, lines 31 to 34 and page 12, lines 2 to 30 and in Figure 2. Specifically, it is disclosed that an amino group and fluorescein were introduced into oligonucleotides to produce the modified oligonucleotides shown in Figure 2 and that 1-pyrenebutanoic acid, succinimidyl ester was then introduced into the oligonucleotides obtained to produce the modified oligonucleotides shown in Figure 3.

Accordingly, please replace original Figure 3 with the attached corrected Figure 3.

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